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Sir:

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1. Japanese Patent Application No. 9-172428, published June 30, 1997 with English Abstract.
2. Japanese Patent Application No. 11-340840, published December 10, 1999 with English Abstract.
3. Japanese Patent Application No. 11-355150, published December 24, 1999 with English Abstract.
4. World Patent No. 97/05717, published February 13, 1997.
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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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